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SETTING UP OF AN INSTITUTE
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taen a decision to set up an institute like National Institute of PharmaceuticalEducation and Research (NIPER) in some States of the country;

(b) if so, the details and locations thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the time by which these are likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE):

(a) Presently there is an institute named National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research {NIPER) located at Mohali, Punjab. NIPER has been set up by an act of Parliament on 26-6-1998. It is the first National Level institute of its kind in India in the field of pharmaceutical sciences. It provides Doctoral and PG degree courses in the field of Pharmaceutical Sciences. Realising the need for setting up of more NIPER like institutes in India a committee consisting of experts from NIPER was constituted by Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals. The Committee has submitted its report in January, 2006 and it has recommended for the setting up of NIPER like institutes at few other locations in India.

(b) The Committee has recommended that the concerned State Governments should provide 70 to 100 acres of land free of cost for this purpose. Presently Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals is in the process of discussions with the concerned State Governments in respect of facilities and support to be provided by them. The setting up of NIPER would depend on keenness shown by the respective State Government also. At present discussions are going on with the Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, West Bengaland Bihar to set up such institutes at Hyderabad,Ahmedabad, Kolkata and Hazipur respectively.

(c) After getting feed back from the concerned State Governments matter would be taken up further in regard to approaching Planning Commission, Ministry of Finance and also amendment of existing Act on NIPER,etc. No final decision has been taken in this respectas yet.